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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 3 months extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEES

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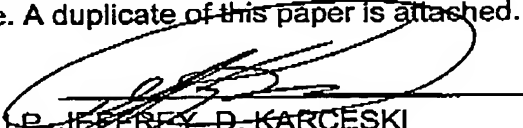
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, the date for response to which has been extended to August 9, 2005, by the enclosed Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and Fee, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows: